

DEAD WOMAN FOUND; MAN BEING HELD

Body of Mrs. Alvina Durst, Aged 24, Located in Vacant Lot.

MAY HAVE TAKEN DOPE

Archie McKay Confesses He Saw Girl Die and Then Deserted Her.

Three hours after the dead body of Mrs. Alvina Durst, 24 years old, was found on a vacant lot at the corner of Fourth and Fourteenth streets at 5 o'clock this morning, Archie McKay confessed to Detective Tom Cox that he was with the woman last night when she died.

An hour later McKay, who lives at 228 Fourteenth street, next to the vacant lot, told newspapermen that the woman was alive but complained of being "sick and weak" when he left her at midnight.

McKay met the woman at 10 o'clock at the corner of Third and Fourteenth streets. They walked west on Third street to Fourteenth street and then proceeded south on Fourteenth street until they came to the vacant lot at Fourth street. They sat under a tree. McKay said he went into his home at 12 o'clock.

The body was found by William Jennings, 1901 Fourth avenue. Police were immediately communicated with. Coroner R. C. J. Meyer was notified. The body was removed to the undertaking parlors of Dixon & Moeller. When found the body lay prone on the ground. An arm was curled up under the body.

Arrest McKay. Police immediately began an investigation. Detective Cox learned that McKay was with the woman last night. McKay was arrested. He did not deny being with the woman.

"She was dead when you left her, wasn't she?" the detective asked him. "I guess maybe she was," the detective said McKay answered him. But an hour later when McKay talked to reporters he denied that she had expired while he was there.

Mrs. Durst has been living in Rock Island for two years or more as near as authorities can learn. She formerly was Miss Vera Engel of Dixon, Ia. She was married to Durst, but he either died or the couple separated. At any rate she had been living at the New Schmidt hotel, 219 1/2 Seventeenth street, until yesterday.

Police declared that she had been living with Harry E. Young, a waiter, but yesterday the two moved from the New Schmidt to Moline where Young had secured work in a restaurant. Police did not know his address in the Moline city or the restaurant in which Young was working, but intended to

get in touch with him before the day was over.

Mrs. Durst was addicted to the drug habit. She had a weak heart. She had been committed to Watertown hospital to take the cure for the drug habit, but the treatment evidently did her no good, as she returned to the use of dope after she had been released from the state hospital.

No Marks on Body.

Police passing upon the cause of death were inclined to believe today that heart failure or an over-dose of drug was responsible. There were no marks on the body to indicate that she had met with foul play.

McKay told the following story: "I have known the woman for the last two years. She has been on the streets here for that time. She told me last night that she was 24 years old and used to live in Dixon, Iowa. She said she was married once. Her husband was named Durst. She did not tell me whether he died or whether they just separated.

"I met her about 10 o'clock at Seventh and Third. We walked up to the vacant lot next to where I live and we sat there for two hours. She complained of being sick and weak at different times and I went into the house several times to get her water, as she asked me to do.

"I tried to get her up and leave. She said she was too sick. Finally I left her. She told me it would be all right if she just laid down there. She didn't make a great fuss over her illness, so I thought that she was probably accustomed to having those spells. I had no idea that she was so ill that she was to die."

The foregoing is the story McKay told last night. When first questioned he made sufficient admissions, police say, to indicate that the woman died while she was with him. Police expressed confidence that the latter is the case. They say that an investigation into the matter revealed that McKay did not leave her until after death came. They say that he would not have left her in the lot next to his home in a sick and weakened condition.

Inquest Tomorrow. Coroner Meyer first planned to hold the inquest this afternoon, but later in the day postponed it until tomorrow morning. It is expected that McKay will testify at the hearing, but at any rate he will be held by police until facts in the matter are established beyond all doubt.

Police had many theories concerning the case. One was that McKay might have given her dope and she might have taken it after she had gone to the vacant lot. Another is that she might have taken the wrong kind of drug, or an overdose.

The woman has no police record. Efforts to locate her relatives were made immediately by authorities who got in touch with Dixon.

Find Needle Mark. In the woman's purse were found \$16 in cash, a gold watch and several rings. Coroner Meyer and Dr. A. N. Mueller made a careful examination of the body this morning, but failed to find any marks except one on the left arm above the elbow, where a dose of drug had been injected with a needle, presumably last night. Mrs. Durst's father lives at Dixon, Iowa, and she is said to have a brother who formerly operated a grocery store in Davenport, but who has now moved to Bennett, Iowa. She is also said to have a married sister residing in Illinois. Up until a late hour this afternoon several hundred people had visited the undertaking parlors to view the body.

ROAD IN CRUSADE TO CHECK TRESPASSING

No matter how you look at it, it is a curious circumstance that some people will risk their lives, just to save a few steps. Yet the same people would not knowingly take any foolish chance of losing their money. Perhaps somebody will say that when folks walk the railroad tracks to save time, they do it thoughtlessly without realizing the danger.

True enough. Let us admit that lack of thought—carelessness—call it what you will, is the cause of a majority of the deaths and injuries around the railroad.

The next thing to consider, is whether there is any excuse whatever for this lack of care. Immediately, a dozen people will answer, "No, because almost everybody reads the papers nowadays, and you cannot pick up any paper without reading the familiar heading 'Man Killed On the Track'."

And, mind you, the average man, hill-billy or the railroad tracks is not a tramp or hobo—no, unfortunately, many useful citizens, artisans, laborers, business men, if you please, in all the walks of life, are among the victims of this track-walking habit.

Surely, around the railroad is a real danger zone. When people are so careless, something is almost sure to happen. H. G. Thomas, an inspector of the Burlington who is here, working out with Agent Riddell the details of an anti-trespassing campaign, relates the following incidents: "Recently, while going through one of our large yards in Iowa, I met a young man, aged about 18, walking on crutches, along the tracks. I said to him, 'I'm a railroad man, otherwise I should not be in this dangerous place.' He answered, 'It was right here, in these yards, that I got mine.' Then he went on to tell me how he lost a foot, when a boy, 3 years old, trying to slip onto a freight train. And I only wanted to ride half a block, but before I got that far, a jar of the train threw my foot under the wheels, and I was crippled for life." I asked him if he ever warned other boys about such dangers and he said: "Yes, I have, many times, and say, 'I know you think you are a fool for being here now, but I am going to quit the track at the next crossing,' and he did."

If all the crippled men and boys who owe their sad condition to similar chance-taking, could preach from the housetops, many would be deterred from running these risks, but others would remain, whose cases would have to be dealt with otherwise.

The Burlington people, with the help of the public press and heads of industrial concerns who have posted warning notices to their employees, have brought about an improved condition in respect to trespassing on tracks in many cities along their line.

Sealed Bids.

For furnishing coal for the Eagles' building will be received by Secretary Joseph Grotguy up to Saturday evening, Sept. 25.—(Adv.)

All the news all the time—The Argus.

BENGSTON NAMED ACADEMICS' HEAD

Augustana Class Meets and Organizes for the Term and Plans for Social Affairs.

BUSY SEASON IS IN PROSPECT

Adelphic and Phrenokosmian Society Hold Sessions at Which Programs Are Presented.

Ralph Bengston has been selected by the academics of Augustana college as their head for the coming year. The other officers are as follows:

Vice president—Carl Bloomgren.

Secretary—Mildred Anderson.

Treasurer—Melvin Anderson.

The academy colors for the coming year will be gold and black, the former colors of purple and gold being discarded in favor of these. A special social committee composed of Minnie Anderson, Florence Johnson and Carl Okerblom was appointed for the ensuing year and it is predicted that the social functions to follow will come fast. The first one will be in the shape of a "wiener roast" at Campbell's island to take place tomorrow afternoon.

Second meeting of the Adelphic Literary society was held yesterday afternoon. A short business session was held first, and several new members voted into the society. The program for the afternoon was then given, as follows:

Reading—Inez Gull.

Vocal solo—Lael Johnson.

"Our Lyceum"—Leonard Kendall, manager of the lyceum band.

Talk—"The Student's Inheritance"—Professor Conrad Bergendoff.

Professor Bergendoff's speech was the feature of the program and he devoted his address to impressing upon his audience the large inheritance of every student in five lines, scientific, institutional, literary, aesthetic and moral.

He declared that what we know in these lines is just as truly our inheritance as anything which might be received from one's ancestors, inasmuch as we have done nothing to earn it and receive it from our forebears. He further brought out the idea that the only inheritance tax that must be paid on this knowledge is that of work and that if a student would pursue his studies faithfully in the literary societies and in the class room he would get a knowledge worth far more than the work which he spent to obtain it.

Phrenokosmian Meets.

The Phrenokosmian Literary society met yesterday afternoon at 2 and the following program was given:

Speech—Roy V. Peel.

Vocal solo—Carl Gustavson.

Recitation—Carl L. Carlson.

Speech—Carl Lundberg.

Vocal solo—Herbert Nordlander.

The Webster Debating club met yesterday afternoon for a business session. Plans and questions for the approaching inter-club debate which the major part of the discussion, it being necessary that the club submit three questions for inter-club debate with the Augustana and Graceland societies. Two questions were finally decided upon and it was decided to give for the third the question that will be decided upon between the Webster club and one of the colleges in Minnesota with which there will be a debate.

Political Club Launched.

Augustana Republican club, one of the branches of the Republican National College league, was organized in one of the rooms of the main building yesterday afternoon with L. E. Jones as president. The organization took place under the direction of F. K. Chandler, who has been sent out by the republican national committee to organize such clubs in the colleges of the country. The other officers of the society are:

Vice president—C. H. Kalquist.

Secretary—Elmer T. Peterson.

Treasurer—E. L. Frederickson.

All of these young men are well known in the school, the secretary being editor of the Observer and the others prominent in various activities of the school.

Notice to Contractors.

Bids will be received 9 a. m. Sept. 27, 1916, for constructing water mains in Case homestead.

WILLIAM MCNOCHIE, Mayor.

Notice to Contractors.

Bids will be received 9 a. m. Sept. 27, 1916, for constructing two concrete bridges in Bowling township.

WALLACE TREICHLER, County Superintendent of Highways.

"Goodnight Corns!

We Use 'Gets-It!'"

3 Drops in 2 Seconds. That's All. "GETS-IT!" Does the Rest. Never Fails.

"Really, I never could see how some few people use the most difficult and painful way they can find to get rid of corns. They'll wrap their toes up with bandages into a package that fills their shoes full of feet and makes corns so painful they've got

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to walk sideways and wrinkle up their faces. Or they use knives that eat right into the toe and make it raw and sore, or they'll use plasters that make the corns bulge, or pick and gouge at their corns and make the feet bleed. Finally, they'll use "GETS-IT!"

The corn, callus or wart loosens and comes off. Millions use nothing else. "GETS-IT!" is sold everywhere, 25c a bottle, or sent on receipt of price, by B. Lawrence & Co., Chicago, Ill.

Send in corns and warts, recommended as the world's best corn remedy by A. J. Riccas.

With a fast second team with which to scrimmage each evening, these men

should fast shape into a machine of great strength.

Eighteen men have reported for football practice at the high school and under the efficient coaching of George E. Parker, are becoming to show form. Seven of last year's men are on the job again. These are Kramm, Gelbrich, Dorothy, Petrie, Cooke, Brown and Hartman. These, together with J. Taylor, Young, Mitchell, Duncan, McCann, Detmer, Valentine, Moffit and P. Emrich, should go to make up a fast team.

The high school's first game will be played with Galesburg in the latter city Sept. 20. The schedule has not yet been filed.

Church Contract Let.

The contract for the building of the new Methodist church edifice has been let to William Goetzinger of Chicago. His bid being \$500 less than the next highest bidder. The contract is for only the general structure and does not include plumbing, heating, lighting, etc. The excavation under the supervision of J. W. McFarland is becoming well advanced and should be finished in the near future.

Auto Thieves Jailed.

Deputy Sheriff O'Day and Special Deputy John Swearingen, having left here Monday afternoon for Chicago,

returned Wednesday evening with the three young culprits who last week stole the Ford car from the garage of John Lund. The thieves have turned out to be boys from Moline. Their names are Ray Collins, Floyd Collins and E. M. Thielke, and their ages are 18, 17 and 23 years respectively. The young fellows were taken direct from the train to the jail, where they will be held to await action by the grand jury when it convenes in extra session Friday.

Now Sells Chandlers.

Richard Hogan, who has for the past five years been engaged in selling Veile autos in this vicinity, has severed his business transactions with that company and is now selling Chandlers.

Personal Mention.

Miss Margaret McCreary returned to Burgess after spending a few days visiting her grandfather, A. P. Lane. Fred P. Graham left Monday for Urbana, where he will enter the law school of the state university.

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Mr. and Mrs. John Jenks and two daughters, Myrtle and Gladys, were in Aledo yesterday.

J. D. Silvers of Burgess was a business visitor in this city Tuesday.

Young & McComb

L. P. BEST, PRES. & TREAS.

"Where Fashion Reigns Supreme"

Just for Friday.

No Telephone, Mail, C. O. D. or Approval Orders on This Merchandise.

Tomorrow is the day to get your new COAT **\$10**

Novelty all wool sample coats with large and fur trimmed collars, and flaring effects, values up to \$15, your choice, \$10.

Salts silk sealette coats, just the kind you want **\$17**

Most stores are selling the very same coat for \$25. We have a complete line of samples and offer them to you Friday at \$17.

Other Coats Up to \$175

Yes. We have the finest display of suits priced at **\$15**

Values up to \$22, including serges and poplins with latest collars and flaring skirts, button and fur trimmed, Friday, \$15.

The Finest Suits at \$35

Broadcloths, serges, fine chifons, soft velours, and imported gaberdines, made up in all the popular fall shades, priced **\$35**

Other Suits Up to \$150

For Friday we offer TRIMMED HATS

in a varied assortment; values up to \$15, your choice

\$5



\$1.50 Ladies' Hose 98c

Finest grade silk hose, \$1.50 grade, special for one day **98c**

25c Lisle Hose 16c

Children's 25c lisle hose in black and white, all sizes, Friday **16c**

Silk Fibre Hose 49c

Ladies' silk fibre hose, regular 75c values, special for Friday **49c**

Cotton Hose 9c

Ladies' cotton hose, regular 15c value, special for Friday **9c**

5-Piece Manicure Set

—for ladies and gents, in leather roll case, 3 pieces are ivory **49c**

Boys! Get These

Good quality leather footballs, complete with bladder, 85c value **65c**

Rex Lye 9c

Rex high test lye, special for Friday, the can **9c**

Dutch Cleanser 9c

Old Dutch Cleanser, special for Friday, per can **9c**

Bon Ami 9c

Regular size cake of Bon Ami, for Friday, only **9c**

Your Choice 9c

Gray enamel wash basins, sauce pans, pudding pans, preserving kettles, etc., worth up to 25c each, Friday special, each **9c**

Sweater Coats 89c

Men's \$1.25 gray sweater coats, ruff neck style, all sizes, Friday **89c**

50c Toques 19c

Men's and boys' 50c toques, (seconds) all colors, Friday **19c**

Men's Shirts 79c

Regular \$1 values, warranted fast colors, variety of patterns **79c**

\$1.25 Kid Gloves \$1

A small assortment of sizes in French kid gloves, Friday only **\$1**

Silk Gloves 59c

Kayser's short silk gloves, black stitching, the pair **59c**

Ladies' Kimonos 98c

Flannelette kimonos in dainty floral designs, \$1.50 values for **98c**

\$1.25 Voile Waists 98c

Ladies' Voile Waists in striped patterns or all white with large cape collars and embroidered cascades, \$1.25 values **98c**

18c Madras 12 1/2c

32 inch wide madras, exquisite patterns for waists, 18c values, yard **12 1/2c**

Cotton Bats, Too

Cotton bats, we offer them just for Friday, 3 **10c**

Crash Toweling 15c

All 20c linen bleached crash toweling, for Friday, yard **15c**

Taborettes 69c

Fumed and golden taborettes, regular \$1 value, for Friday **69c**

Friday Drug Specials

\$1 Sal Hepatica, Friday **79c**

\$1 size bottle of Peruna, Friday **80c**

\$1 Pierce's Favorite prescription **81c**

35c Fletcher's Castoria, Friday **26c**

50c size box of Rice Powder **29c**

10c bar pure olive oil **19c**

castile soap, 3 bars **19c**

29c Union Suits 21c

Ladies' regular 29c gauze union suits, umbrella and cuff knee, Friday **21c**

35c Gauze Vests 16c

Ladies' 25c and 35c gauze vests, fancy yokes, sizes 35, 36 and 38 **16c**

Children's Gauze Vests

Ladies' and children's gauze vests, 12 1/2c and 15c values, 9c, or 3 for **25c**



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"Any time you want real goodies use Calumet Baking Powder! My mother uses it—she's tried all others—she's learned her lesson—now she sticks to Calumet."

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ALEDO AT A GLANCE

Daily Doings in Mercer County's Busy Capital

Local Football Prospects.

Prospects for the fastest football aggregation in the history of William and Vashit college grow brighter from day to day. About thirty men have already reported for tryouts, and the bunch is being given a stiff workout each night on college field by Coach G. F. Baumeister. A fight of real pep is being staged for the backfield positions. Bradbury seems to be the pick for the position of quarter. Bridgford, Saffie, Forner and McFarland are making strong bids for the halfback position. Suman, the veteran fullback, is showing up in class form again. He has, however, in Stevens and Robinson, two very worthy opponents for the position. Hanson of Kewanee seems to have the center position cinched thus far. He is a veteran of the Kewanee high school team and is a whirlwind player in all departments. McCann and Taylor are almost sure of holding down the guard positions. Taylor and Stronquist, both old Vashit men, will undoubtedly locate at the tackles. Smith, Haskett and Robinson are fighting hard for the ends and are racing closely for the positions.

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Held Funeral Earl Brown.

Funeral services for Earl Brown (colored), were held at 2 o'clock this afternoon at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Brown, 513 Sixth avenue, Rev. S. B. Walkup officiating. Interment was in Chippianock cemetery.

Notice to Contractors.

Bids will be received 9 a. m. Sept. 27, 1916, for paving Twenty-fourth street, Thirtieth to Eighteenth avenues, with asphalt.

WILLIAM MCNOCHIE, Mayor.

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